STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

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This legislation is a terminology clean-up bill consistent with the Occupational Licensing Reform Act passed by the Idaho legislature in 2020. The reform bill created a new process for how licensing boards consider and evaluate an applicant's past criminal conviction in Idaho Code § 67, Chapter 94. The 2020 bill removed licensure denials on the basis of vague or generic terminology related to a criminal conviction, including "moral turpitude" or "moral character." The bill reduces confusion and conflict in law by updating all Idaho Division of Occupational and Professional Licensing boards and commission statute references in alignment with Idaho Code § 67, Chapter 94. The bill will create clear direction for our licensing boards when considering applications.

FISCAL NOTE

There is no impact to the General Fund, federal funds, or the Idaho Division of Occupational and Professional Licenses dedicated fund. This proposal does not make any substantiative changes and simply aligns Idaho Code references for the interpretation purposes of the division boards and commissions.

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